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SUBJ: LEGAL REPRESENTATION AVAILABLE TO AMERICANS ARRESTED ABROAD

REF: STATE 147704

1. SCS: (A) LEGAL COUNSEL OF THE "PUBLIC DEFENDER" TYPE IS NOT
PROVIDED GRATIS TO NON-NIGERIANS.

(B) SUCH LEGAL REPRESENTATION IS NOT REPEAT NOT READILY AVAILABLE.
(C) IN GENERAL, THE QUALITY OF THE PUBLIC FUNDED LEGAL ASSISTANCE
IS NOT THE BEST. THE SERVICES ARE GENERALLY RENDERED BY
IEXPERIENCED LAWYERS WHO ARE NEW TO THE PRACTICE.

2. ACCORDING TO DR. FELIX CHUKS OKOYE, ONE OF NIGERIA'S LEADING
BARRISTERS, LEGAL AID IS BEING WORKED OUT AT THE PRESENT TIME.
IT IS NOT YET SETTLED AND PROBABLY WILL NOT BE UNTIL THE NEXT
FISCAL YEAR. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE DRAFTING COMMITTEE AND AS FAR
AS HE KNOWS, THE PLANS DO NOT CONTAIN ANY PROVISION FOR NON-NIGERIANS
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